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7. (Secret - GLC) LIAISON Contacted Russ Rourke, in the office of John O. Marsh, Counsellor to the President, to alert him to the status of our dealings with the NSC staff on the Director's testimony on SALT for Senator Henry Jackson's (D., Wash.) Arms Control Subcommittee of Senate Armed Services. Rourke asked that we let him know when the transcript goes to Armed Services. Later in the day, I told him that the transcripts had gone and we had gotten some feedback from Richard Perle, of Senator Jackson's office, and we would be dealing with him regarding the deletions. I also mentioned that we were in close touch with Les Janka, of the NSC staff, on this.

8. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Jim Gehrig, on the staff of the Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, called to say that a new Staff Director, Gilbert Keyes, has recently been appointed and Gehrig would like to arrange a "thorough briefing" for him. He said he hated to tie up Carl Duckett and whoever we thought were competent persons to brief him were perfectly acceptable to them. He also indicated that he would like to talk with me in the next day or two regarding some thoughts they had about sending a letter [redacted] is concerned. Gehrig wanted to talk to us before sending such a letter. I told him I would drop by to see him probably on Monday, meanwhile we will get in touch with Mr. Duckett's people to set up a briefing on Soviet space missiles and related programs for Keyes.

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7. (Unclassified - RC) BRIEFING Called Robert Schick, in the office of Senator Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), and said that I would try to locate some open material on the treatment of certain kinds of people in Vietnam and Cambodia. He was particularly interested in reprisals. EA/VNO provided the material which I will take to Schick tomorrow.

8. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION Called Bob Carlstrom, OMB, to discuss the status of various criminal justice information bills, such as H. R. 61, S. 1427, S. 1428, S. 2008, and H. R. 8227.

9. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION George Gilbert, OMB, called regarding the Agency's position regarding H. R. 1311. Gilbert said he was reluctant to take any action at all on this bill and had asked a Justice Department friend to find out if the bill was going to move. If there is no indication of action, Gilbert wants to hold all the responses and lay low. If the Committee will take up the bill, Gilbert will draft a response which suggests an amendment to sections 2 and 3 of the bill. This is the substance of our suggestion, although his modifications are not exactly the ones we suggested. He promised to let me know what word he gets on the status of the bill.

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4. (Confidential - LLM) LIAISON In the company of [ ] met with Representative Dante Fascell (D., Fla.) concerning the Comptroller General's letter to the Director of 9 September 1975 requesting "any and all information possessed by the Agency on the Mayaguez incident and other documents." It was explained that in the interest of limiting the unnecessary proliferation of sensitive Agency information, we have for more than a quarter of a century preferred to deal directly with the committees rather than with them through the GAO and that we thought that any change in the method of operation should await the findings of the Select Committees who obviously will be faced with the problem of which institutions or committees of Congress should be provided access to the various types of information possessed by the Agency. Mr. Fascell was understanding of our position, was of a disposition to call off the GAO in this instance, at least until the issue is resolved, and in general said he was supportive of GAO assuming a greater role in support of the Congress. Mr. Fascell will talk to GAO and will then advise us of his decision.

5. (Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON In response to his call to OGC, I called [ ] in the General Counsel's office at NSA, and gave him Congressional Record cites to the June 1974 debate on the Proxmire open budget proposal.

6. (Unclassified - RC) BRIEFING Accompanied [ ] and [ ] EA/VNO, to meet with Robert Schick, of Senator Hugh Scott's (R., Pa.) office, to discuss IndoChinese refugees. Mr. Schick's main concern was what would happen to Vietnam and Cambodian refugees who returned to their home countries; would they be subjected to reprisals or death. He was also interested in what needed to be done about the Laotian refugees on Thailand who might wish to come to the United States.

7. (Unclassified - RC) THIRD AGENCY Called J. J. Hitchcock, Department of State, on the declassification of an agreement between RLG and the USG on integration of Meo forces into FAR. I said the declassification would probably create foreign relation problems for the USG but the Agency cannot by itself object to its declassification. Whereas our method of doing business may be disclosed, but at this time it is not sufficient to bar declassification. He said the foreign relations problem was for State to decide and asked if the declassification would create a heartburn for us. I replied in the affirmative but said the heartburn was not sufficient and painful enough for us to ask that it not be declassified. I said this decision was below the Director's level and was passing it on on that basis. I informed C/EA.

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STAT 4. (Unclassified - BAA) LIAISON Mary Leslie, Executive Secretary to Representative Samuel Stratton (D., N.Y.), called in followup of [ ] visit to their office to ask Mr. Stratton if he would be available to speak to a group of our chiefs of stations sometime in October. Ms. Leslie said the Congressman would be interested in speaking to the group at a dinner session. I told her that the date would be 20 October but I would have to get back to her with a time and place.

5. (Unclassified - BAA) THIRD AGENCY Barbara Grabon, NSC staff, called to say there would be a LIG meeting tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. in the Roosevelt Room at the White House [ ]

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6. (Unclassified - GLC) ADMINISTRATIVE [ ] Acting Assistant to the Director, called to say he received a call from Robert Cochran, a shorthand reporter of the House Select Committee. Cochran was calling to get the correct spelling of certain names and places in Vietnam. I called Don Gregg, Review Staff, and referred the call to him.

7. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON Bob Shick, on the staff of Senator Hugh Scott, called to say he had been in touch with people in State Department who told him they have hard information from refugee sources in Southeast Asia regarding reprisals against refugees in Vietnam and Cambodia and perhaps to a lesser extent in Laos. Shick said he would like to have anything we can give him on this subject that will be helpful in resolving the problems attendant to these refugees in the U.S. and elsewhere. After talking with Ted Shackley, Chief, EA Division, I told Shick we could give him a briefing on this subject on Monday but the information we would provide is such we would prefer it not be made public. I added that our material is based on limited information and isolated cases and we would hate to see general conclusions drawn on the basis of this fragmentary material. It developed that Shick has spent considerable time in Vietnam in military intelligence and later as a journalist for a Dutch TV firm. He is very concerned about the plight of these refugees and made a particular point of the case of refugees from Laos. He said Ambassador Charlie Whitehouse is in town and seems to be the only person interested in them. I told him I would pass this information on to the people who would be meeting with him at 2:30 on Monday.

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23. (Unclassified - GLC) ADMINISTRATIVE Called Russ Rourke, who works for John O. Marsh, Counsellor to the President, to alert him to the fact I was sending to Marsh today a letter forwarding to him a summary and sectional analysis of S. 2170, a bill of Senator Muskie's on congressional right to information. I told Rourke I thought this would be of particular interest to Marsh and Phil Buchen in view of the current problems with the House Select Committee.

24. (Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON George Gilbert, OMB, called to inform me that the State Department would be circulating advance copies of State Department representative's scheduled address before the Senate Commerce Committee on an exclusive 200-mile fisheries zone. The speech is to be delivered this Friday, and we are to notify OMB tomorrow if we see any problems in the testimony.

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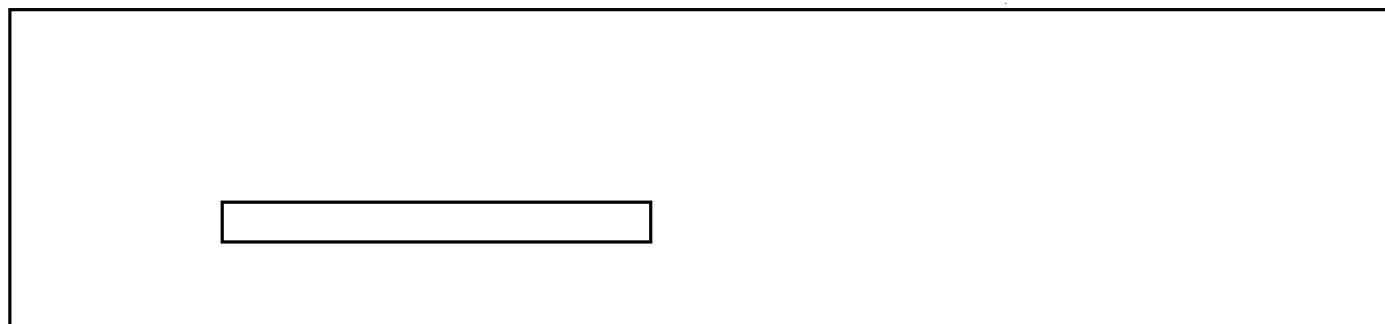
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19. (Unclassified - RJK) LIAISON Received a call from Bill Raiford, Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress, who asked who the Chairperson of the Interagency Classification Review Committee was. Based on information which [redacted] provided, I called Raiford back and advised him that the Chairperson is the Archivist of the United States, Mr. James Rhodes.

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21. (Unclassified - GLC) ADMINISTRATIVE Talked with Gary Jarmin, staff of the American Conservative Union, and told him the Director was favorably disposed to participate in the conference which was the subject of a letter from Senator Strom Thurmond and Representative John Ashbrook depending on scheduling. Jarmin said they would like to do this on either 30 September or 1 or 2 October and would like to establish the Director and Director Kelley of the FBI preference on the timing. He said if necessary it could be put over until the following week. After checking the Director's calendar, I told Jarmin 30 September looked to be the best time for Mr. Colby, but I would want to confirm this with him and I would do this tomorrow morning.

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6. (Internal Use Only - PLC) LEGISLATION Called George Gilbert, OMB, and informed him that the Senate Government Operations Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations had extended an invitation for the Director to testify at the hearings to be held beginning 3 October on S. 2170, the Congressional Right to Information bill. I asked if OMB would be asking for our comments on the bill. Bob Carlstrom, OMB, subsequently called to advise that OMB had sent the Agency a letter on Friday requesting our comments on S. 2170. He had knowledge of the scheduled hearings, but was unaware that the heads of any agency would be asked to testify. OMB will be finalizing an Administration position by Friday and they asked that we withhold any decision as to the Director testifying until OMB gives us their position.

7. (Unclassified - PLC) LIAISON Called the office of Senator Richard Stone (D., Fla.), to confirm the briefing at 1500 tomorrow in his office. [REDACTED] was advised.

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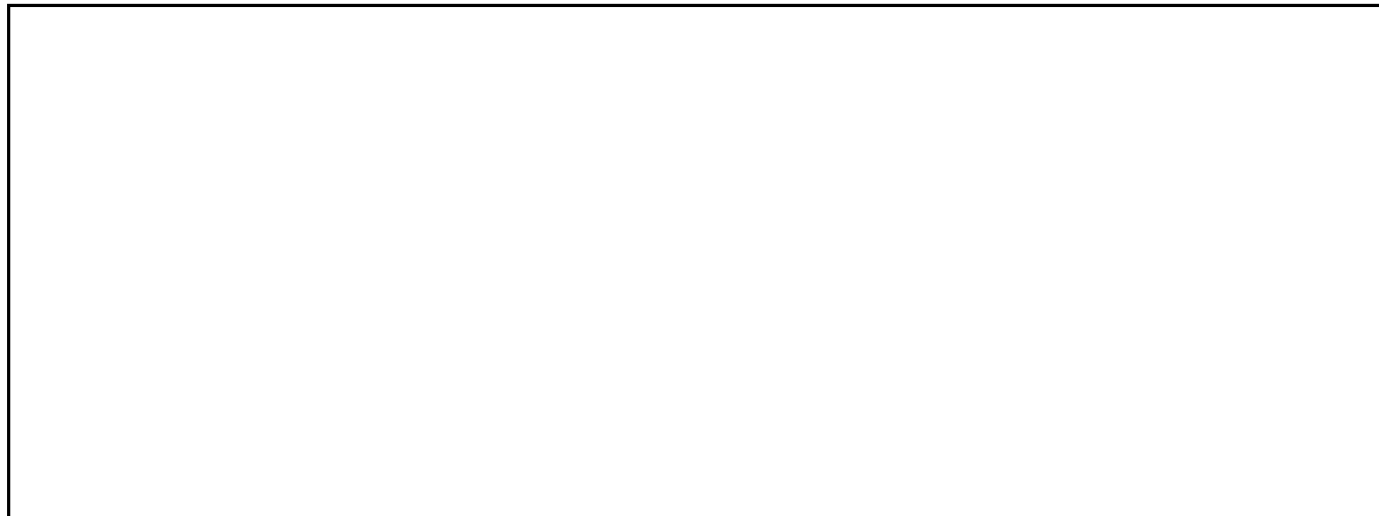
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9. (Secret - GLC) BRIEFING (FAA) [ ] Chief, Africa Division, 25X1  
called to say that Joseph Sisco, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs,  
will be talking with Senators Hubert Humphrey and Daniel Inouye and  
Representative Otto Passman regarding certain economic aid programs.  
Sisco is interested in knowing whether any of these members have been  
briefed on the President's finding of 18 July 1975. I advised [ ] that none 25X1  
of these members were briefed by the Director but I had no way of knowing  
whether any of the members who have been briefed might have discussed  
this subject with them. [ ] said this would be quite adequate for his  
purposes.

10. (Secret - GLC) BRIEFING (INTELLIGENCE) Talked with Ed  
Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, about the  
request from Senator Richard Stone (D., Fla.) for a briefing on Soviet presence  
in Syria and related topics. Braswell agreed with my assessment that we  
should provide this briefing to Stone.

I also discussed with Braswell the letter from Senator Strom Thurmond  
and Representative John Ashbrook asking the Director to address the American  
Conservative Union. Braswell said he thought the Director should avail  
himself of any opportunity to speak to a group of this sort.

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6. (Unclassified - DFM) CONSTITUENT Received a call from Marion Burson, Administrative Assistant to Representative George O'Brien (R., Ill.). Representative O'Brien, in a recent appearance in his district, was told by a constituent that he had heard on a radio program that Mr. Colby was once an officer in the German SS. Burson said he was sure that this was a mistake. I reviewed Mr. Colby's wartime service including his service in the OSS and said that that must be the source of the error.

7. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION Called George Gilbert, OMB, to relay State Department's objections to our letter to OMB on H.R. 1311. I mentioned a possible way to satisfy State's views and still satisfy our concerns about the bill. Gilbert asked that I send him, very informally, my draft language to amend the bill and a brief listing of State's objections which I agreed to do.

8. (Unclassified - BAA) LIAISON Mildred Ward, Secretary to Senator John C. Stennis (D., Miss.), called and said the Senator would like to change the day of his weekly briefings by Messrs. Cary and [redacted] from Wednesdays to Fridays at 10:00 in his private office. She said the Senator is expecting the next meeting to take place on Friday, 19 September. [redacted] was advised.

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9. (Unclassified - BAA) LIAISON Called Barbara Grabon, Secretary to Les Janka, NSC Staff, and told her that [redacted] would be coming to the LIG Meeting on Friday at 2:00 due to the absence of Mr. Cary and [redacted] from the office.

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5. (Unclassified - RJK) BRIEFING Joseph Overton, Legislative Assistant, on the staff of Representative Barry Goldwater, Jr. (R., Calif.), called to request a briefing for the Representative on aspects of the foreign and internal policies of the People's Republic of China. He requested the briefing take place on either the 23rd or 24th of September in the late afternoon. I told him I would look into the matter and let him know whether the briefing could be arranged. [ ] OCI, has been advised and STAT sees no problem with responding to the request.

6. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION Received a call from Bill Jones, INR/State Department, regarding the Agency's letter to OMB STAT on H. R. 1311. I told Jones that we had not determined how we would respond to State's request, but that I would raise the issue with [ ] on his return.

7. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION Called Bill Nichols, General Counsel, OMB, regarding the multi-faceted issue of garnishment of Federal employees' wages. Nichols said a final determination had been made that Civil Service Commission would draft regulations for all agencies and that these would be issued following the expected signing of the Executive Order next week. OMB also expects to have the Justice Department's draft legislation cleared next week. Nichols believes the only way to fully protect the Agency's interests in these cases would be to get an exemption in the Act itself, and we agreed that this would be impossible in the present political climate. Lacking that, he feels the Agency must stress the importance of this issue to its employees under cover so that hopefully the garnishment issue will not arise.

8. (Unclassified - BAA) INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING Ed Rice, Administrative Assistant to Representative Margaret Heckler (R., Mass.), called and asked if the briefing scheduled for the Congresswoman this morning at 11:00 a.m. could be changed to later in the afternoon. After STAT checking with [ ] OCI, I notified Rice that our briefer would be in their office at 3:00 p.m. today. This was fine with Rice.

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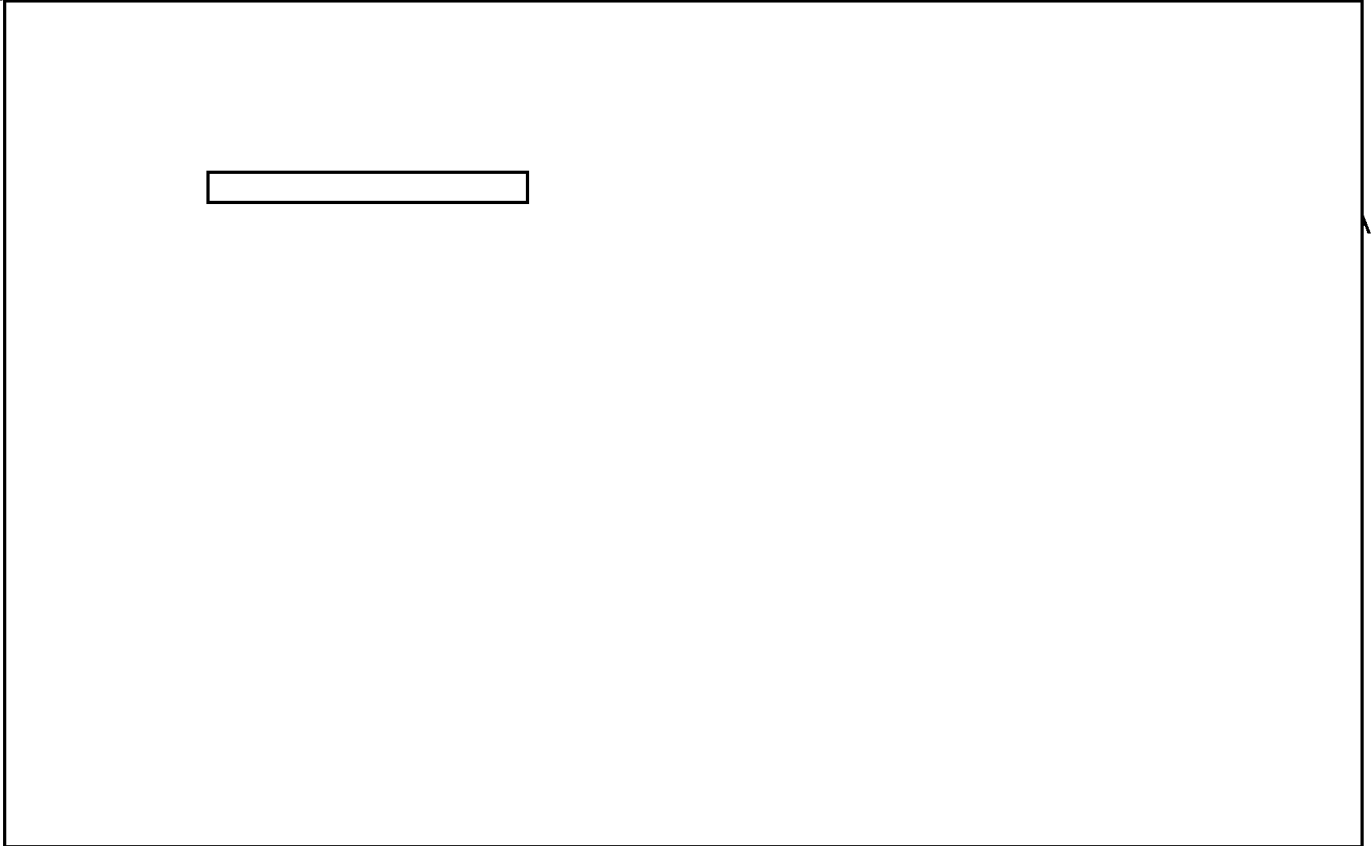
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7. (Unclassified - RJK) ADMINISTRATIVE Received a call from Sue, on the staff of Representative William J. Hughes (D., N.J.), who requested page size maps of several Middle East countries. I told her I would put these in the mail to her along with a brochure outlining the maps available from the Government Printing Office.



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